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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

AFRICA.

Report from Cape Town—Examination of rodents for plague infection in the Colony.

The following is received from the medical officer of health for Cape Colony, under date of September 3, 1906:

East London.—Week ended September 1, 1906. Rodents examined, 65; 26 found dead; 1 plague infected.

King Williams Town.—Rodents examined, 241; 5 found dead; no infection.

Port Elizabeth.—Rodents examined, 255; 9 found dead; no infection.

AUSTRALIA.

Plague at Sydney—Examination of rodents for plague infection.

The following information is received from Consul-General Bray, at Melbourne:

Brisbane.—Week ended July 28, 1906. Rodents destroyed, 164; examined, 131; no infection found.

Week ended August 4, 1906. Rodents destroyed, 168; examined, 112; found infected, 4.

Week ended August 11, 1906. Rodents destroyed, 91; examined, 68; found infected, 3.

No further case has occurred at Cairns, and no infected rats have been found there.

Sydney.—Week ended July 28. One case of plague; form, bubonic. The patient, a wharf laborer, had been employed for two months previous to the attack at a wharf on which plague rats have been found. Rodents destroyed during the week, 1,833; examined, 557; found infected, 6.

Week ended August 4, 1906: Rodents destroyed, 1,883; examined, 614; found infected, 7.

Week ended August 11, 1906: Rodents destroyed, 1,712; examined, 312; found infected, 7.

Week ended August 18, 1906: Rodents destroyed, 1,875; examined, 233; found infected, 6.

The government of South Australia reports that state free from plague.